

Repair of Railway Bridge

3132. DR. M.P. JAISWAL : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the rail traffic on Railway Bridge on the Bhogalpur-Guwahati line was suspended for ten days recently;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether this bridge was damaged in the floods last year;

(d) if so, whether the damaged portion of the bridge was got repaired since then; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) : (a) to (e). Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

[Translation]

Lying of Railway Lines

3133. SHRI DATTA MEGHE : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the laying work of railway lines on the Narkher-Amravati route in Maharashtra is progressing very slowly;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the time by which the said work is expected to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The project is targetted for completion in the Ninth Plan period.

[English]

Construction of Railway Line

3134. SHRI ANIL BASU : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the survey work for construction of the railway line from Tarakeswar to Armbag under the Howrah Division of Eastern Railway would be completed by November, 1996;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) : (a) and (b). Efforts are being made to complete the survey during the current year itself.

(c) Does not arise.

Fertilizer Units in the Country

3135. SHRI PRABHU DAYAL KATHERIA : Will the Minister of CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS be pleased to state :

(a) the number of fertilizer units set up in the country during the last two years till date;

(b) the number of units out of them started functioning; and

(c) the number of such units in which production is likely to be started during the current financial year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SIS RAM OLA) : (a) and (b). A gas-based urea plant having a capacity of 7.42 lakh tonnes of urea per annum was set up at Babrala in U.P. in 1994-95. Another gas-based urea plant having a capacity of 7.26 lakh tonnes of urea per annum was set up at Shahjahanpur in U.P. in 1995-96.

(c) the following four units are expected to start production during the current financial year :

- (i) Aonla Expansion Project of Indian Farmers Fertilizers Cooperative Society (IFFCO);
- (ii) Vijaipur Expansion Project of National Fertilizers Limited (NFL);
- (iii) Expansion of Madras Fertilizers Limited (MFL); and
- (iv) Ammonia Phase-I Retrofit of Rashtriya Chemicals & Fertilizers Ltd. (RCF).

Clearance to Hotels

3136. SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE : Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Central Pollution Control Board had recommended to the Government for deleasing the land earmarked for hotels and motels in different States and Union Territories;

(b) if so, the details of the places where hotels and motels are proposed to be set up; and

(c) the action taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to allot the lands after proper environmental impact studies?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (CAPT. JAI NARAYAN PRASAD NISHAD) : (a) No, Sir. The Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) has not recommended to the Government for deleasing the land earmarked for hotels and motels in different States in General. However, in case of one hotel, based on the directions from Hon'ble